

Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program

What is the ACCSP?

A state and federal coastal fisheries <u>data collection</u> and <u>data management</u> Program for <u>Fisheries</u> <u>Dependant Data.</u>

A central repository for Atlantic coastal fishery data.



Beginnings



Recognition of Serious Data Deficiencies (1995)

- Agency data bases not compatible
- Much duplication of effort
- Significant Fisheries not covered
- Inadequate Length Frequencies
- Little routine collection of Discard and Bycatch data
- No Common Forum

Creation of ACCSP



Memorandum of Understanding signed (1995)

"ACCSP shall coordinate present and expanded marine fisheries data collection and data management activities through coastwide cooperative planning, innovative uses of statistical theory and design, and consolidation of appropriate data into an integrated database system."

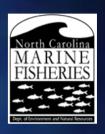
ACCSP Partner Agencies











Potomac River Fisheries Commission

DC Fisheries and Wildlife Division

































ACCSP Process



- Coordinating Council Provides Policy
- Operations Committee Coordinates Technical Issues
- Technical Committees and Workgroups Manage Standards

Coordinating Council



- Acts as Board of Directors
- Composed of Policy Level Representatives
- Member from each Participating Agency
- Final Say on Policy, Standards and Budget
- Only Committee that votes routinely

Operations Committee



- Technical Level Representatives
- Coordinates Technical Issues
- Makes Budgetary and Policy Recommendations to Council
- Rotating Chair
- Decisions made by Consensus

Module Design



Uniform, Coast-wide Standards

- Process Driven by Consensus
- Standards evolve over time as needed

Standards Represent Minimums

- Allows for local flexibility
- At least minimum standards adhered to
- At least minimum data transferred to central warehouse

Implemented by Partner Agencies

Module Design



Priority Driven

- Agreed on Priorities
- Started with most fundamental
- Add more complex over time

Data Collection Modules

Commercial Catch and Effort
For-hire Catch and Effort
Recreational Catch and Effort



Socioeconomic

Registration Tracking

Biological Sampling

Bycatch, Releases, and Protected Species Interactions







Technical Committees



- Specific Purpose or Module (ex. Commercial Catch/Effort)
- Creates and Recommends Standards and Policy
- Rotating Chair
- Consensus Driven

Commercial Catch and Effort Module Standards

Mandatory 100% reporting – Fishermen and Dealers



Trip-level Data

Due by 10th of the following month

Standards include minimum data elements, and processes for quality control and confidentiality protection

Commercial Module Design



All Roads Lead to the Commercial Trip

Commercial Trip



Dealer Logbook At-Sea Observation



Biological Sample



Commercial Catch and Effort

Data Collection Implementation Status

- Fully meet ACCSP Standards
- Currently Implementing
 ACCSP Standards
- Preparing for Implementation

The National Marine
Fisheries Service requires
a trip report for any
species harvested under
a federal permit.

The ACCSP encourages the use of innovative technology to reduce reporting and data entry burdens.

ACCSP Funding



- Proposals may be submitted by any Partner Agency or ACCSP committee
- Proposals evaluated by Operations Committee
 - Should match priorities set by Council
- Final Approval of Funding by Council

ACCSP Data Collection Funding

Since 1999, the ACCSP has funded 47 projects.

27 Commercial Catch and Effort, totaling \$3. 03 million.

6 Recreational Catch and Effort, totaling \$2.3 million.

11 Biological Sampling, totaling \$1.4 million.

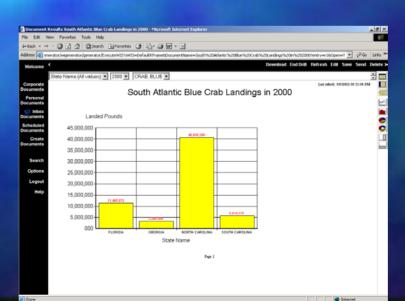
3 Bycatch, totaling \$650,000.

State-of-the-Art Data Management

Integrated Database Design

Timely Availability of Data

Highly Flexible Web Interface





State-of-the-Art Data Management

- Data Warehouse
 - Web Based Online Analysis Tools
 - Contains Reconciled Data for all Modules
- Standard Atlantic Fisheries Information System
 - Web Based Fisheries Statistics System
 - Jointly Developed w/NMFS



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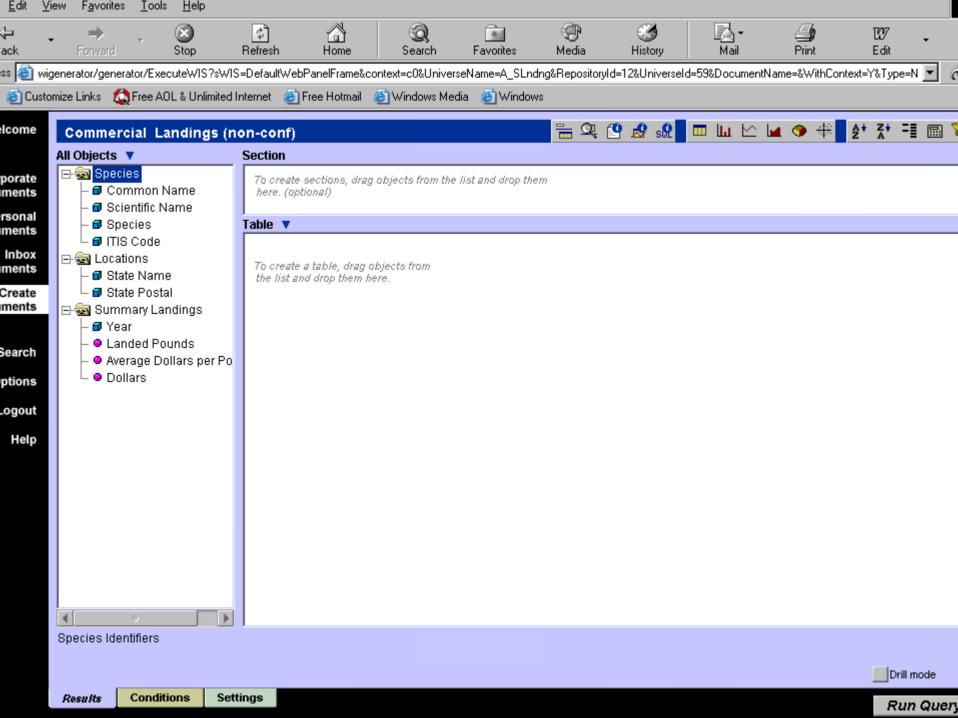
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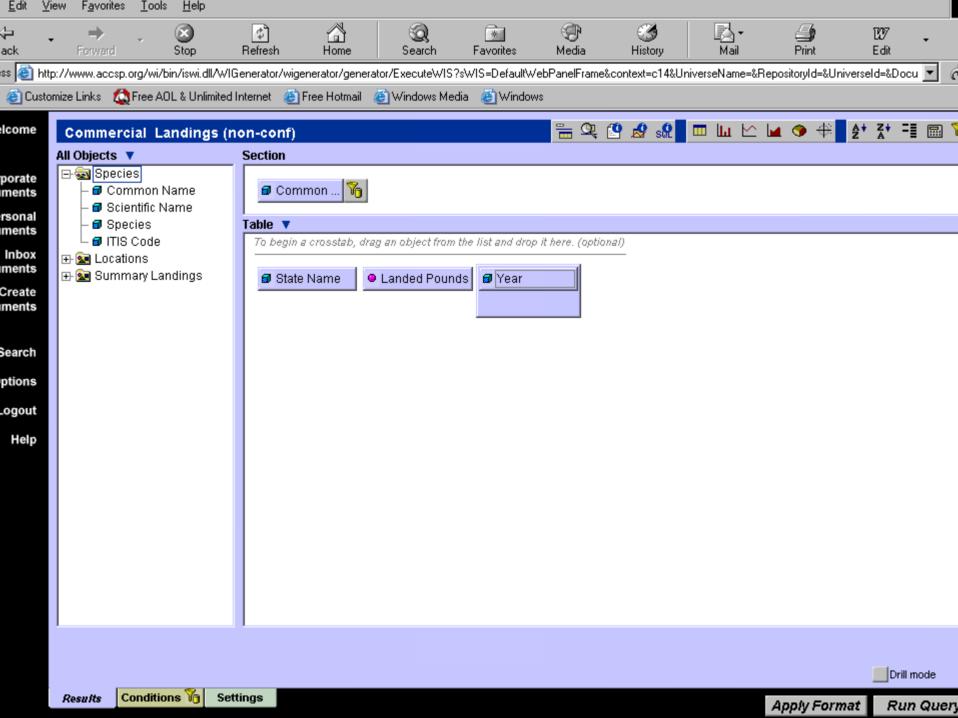
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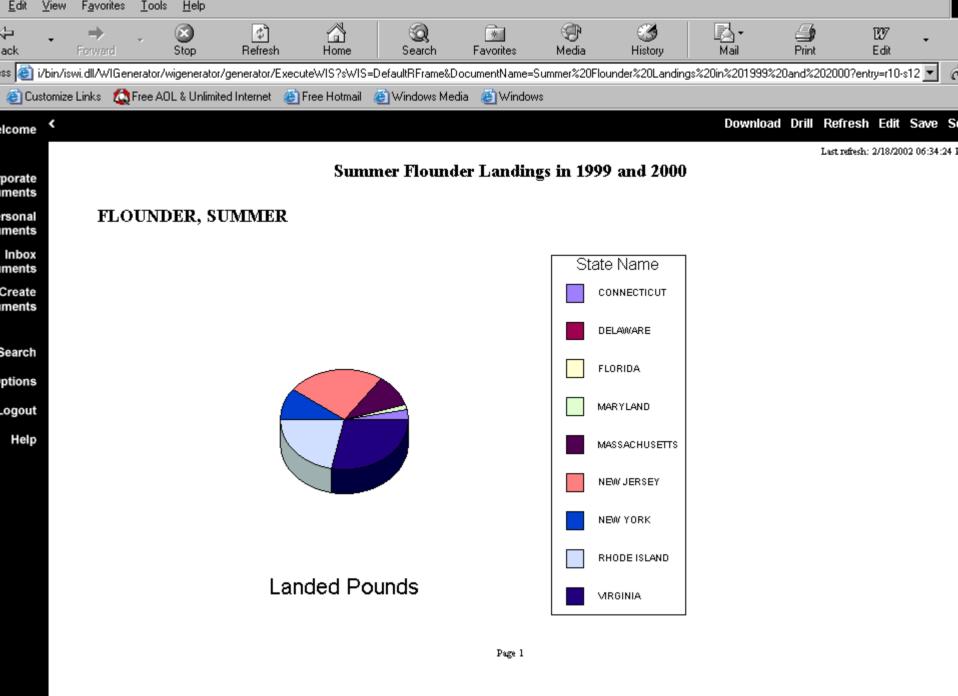
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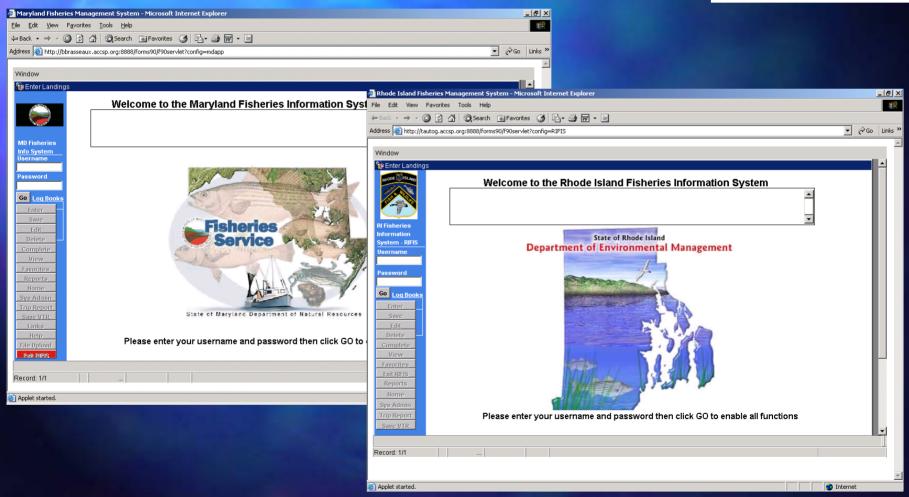
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Standard Atlantic Fisheries Information System





Why it Works



- ·Consensus Driven
 - •No Agency has the 'upper hand'
- Everyone Agrees on the Overall Goals
- Everyone Participates in the Process

ACCSP and the FIS

Serves as Atlantic Coast Anchor

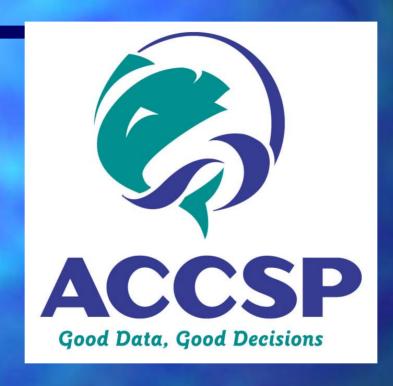
Intrinsic to the ACCSP Mission

Already hosting unified State and Federal data sets for Catch and Effort

Other Modules Implemented over time

- Biological Sampling
- At-Sea Observer





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